



## **BRADLEY BEACH** **Shade Tree Commission**



*We can help you understand your responsibilities for all of your trees, both those on your own property and those in your planting strip (the area between your sidewalk and the curb).*

### **Have a Tree That Needs Attention?**

To Find Out:

- Your Responsibility for planting and removing trees, see Ordinance 2020-09
- How to apply for a permit to plant or remove a tree
- How to care for your existing trees

Visit our page on the borough website: <http://www.bradleybeachnj.gov/cn/webpage.cfm?tpid=17390>  
or send an email to: [shadetree@bradleybeach.gov](mailto:shadetree@bradleybeach.gov)

### **Key points from the Bradley Beach Shade Tree Ordinance:**

1. Permits are required for planting tree(s) in your planting strip and for removing tree(s) both in your planting strip and on your private property.
2. You may obtain a permit application from Borough Hall or electronically from the Borough website. A \$50 fee shall accompany applications for all removals. You will get a response within 20 business days.
3. We have a 'Suggested Tree List for Private Property', with favor to native species, to help you plant around your home. When planting in your Planting Strip, you must follow the 'Required Tree List for Planting Strips'. Go to our page to view 'Tree Guidelines'.
4. Removal of healthy trees on private property must follow the guidelines of *Schedule A: Tree Replacement Schedule*, a formula which assesses the size of the tree being removed and a requisite number of replacement trees; or in lieu of replacement, a fee schedule, which will serve to fund the Shade Tree Trust for future planting within the Borough.
5. For safety, stumps of trees removed in the planting strip must be taken down to 8"-12" below ground level and backfilled to grade.
6. Property owners are responsible for removing and pruning trees, both on their property and in the planting strip.
7. We will provide clear guidance as it pertains to each application.

*See the reverse side for a chart of permit requirements*